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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR NORTHWEST
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1. THE CHARGE CALLED AUGUST 22 ON MFA STATE SECRETARY HERMES, THE HIGHEST AVAILABLE FONOFF OFFICIAL, TO PRESENT AIDE MEMOIRE, AS PER REFTEL. THE CHARGE EXPRESSED THE USG'S STRONG CONCERN OVER FAILURE OF 25TH ANNUAL MEETING AND REQUESTED FRG'S SYMPATHETIC SUPPORT FOR US POSITION, TO INSURE SUCCESS OF MONTREAL MEETING. CHARGE ALSO TOLD HERMES THAT WE WILL PASS COPY OF AIDE MEMOIRE TO DR. BOOSS OF MINAG AND WILL MAKE THE SAME REPRESENTATIONS TO HIM.

2. HERMES ASKED WHETHER, IN THE EYES OF THE USG, THE FRG WAS A "SINNER" AND THE FORCEFUL DEMARCHE WAS DIRECTED TO THE FRG ALONE OR WHETHER IT WAS BEING DIRECTED TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS. THE CHARGE REPLIED THAT OUR REPRESENTATIONS WERE BEING CONVEYED TO ALL GOVERNMENTS PARTICIPATING IN ICNAF.

3. ALLUDING TO THE DIFFICULTIES AND PRESSURES ON THE GERMAN FISHING INDUSTRY EMANATING FROM THE MOMENTUM-GATHERING TREND BY VARIOUS STATES TO EXTEND OUTWARD FROM THEIR COASTS THE EXCLUSIVITY OF FISHING RIGHTS, HERMES ASKED WHETHER THE USG COULD GIVE ASSURANCES NOT TO ESTABLISH 200-MILE ZONE, IF REDUCED QUOTAS WERE AGREED TO AT MONTREAL MEETING. HE THEN REPHRASED THE QUESTION TO WHETHER US ADMINISTRATION WOULD BE PREPARED TO EXERT EFFORTS IN OPPOSITION TO CONGRESSIONAL MOVES TO ESTABLISH 200-MILE ZONE. THE CHARGE RESPONDED THAT THE LATTER WAS A REASONABLE ASSUMPTION IN THE EVENT OF A SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT MONTREAL.

4. EMBASSY WILL REPORT ON THE DISCUSSIONS WITH MINAG OFFICIALS AFTER THEY HAVE TAKEN PLACE.
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